



# National Women's Mailing List

**From the grassroots  
a mighty feminist  
network is growing!**

Sign up if you would like to receive mail in any of the interest areas listed on this registration form. Women's organizations will then be able to mail to you to keep you informed about feminist events, actions, publications, and services.

By filling out the registration form, you alone determine what kind of organization and/or individuals can mail to you. You will only receive mailings in those areas you have designated. Your wishes will be absolutely respected. No person's name will ever be entered into the data bank without her voluntary registration. At any time you can have your name removed from the list, however it's doubtful that you will want to. The mail you get as a participant in the network is feminist mail from women's organizations that you probably would not otherwise receive.

A partial listing of the kinds of mail being sent out to members of the network is on the back of this registration form...



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# NATIONAL WOMEN'S MAILING LIST

## INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION FORM

Women's Organizations: Write for an organizational registration form to be part of the resource lists.

• **DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION:** We are asking for this information so that we can know who we are reaching. This will help us know where our efforts need to be focused so that we can create a truly broad-based national service that connects with all women. *You do not have to disclose this information to register. Put your choice of one letter in each box.*

☐ Age

A Under 18

B 18-21

C 22-29

D 30-39

E 40-54

F 55-64

G 65 and over

☐ Parent

A Yes

B No

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☐ Cultural Identity  
(Choose ONE)

A Black

B Asian/Pacific

C Native American

D Latina

E White

F Jewish

G Other \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Occupational Field Choose 2 categories you most identify with

A Health/Medical

H Mental Health/Counseling

B Legal

C Teaching/Librarian/Educational

R Scientific/Technical

S Social Services

3 Research

6 Management/Administration

T Computer

K Homemaker

I Financial (banking, accounting)

E Office Worker

D Factory/Industrial Worker

F Farm/Agricultural Worker

G Skilled Trades (carpentry/plumbing)

9 Unskilled Worker

4 Sales

J Business Owner

L Services (restaurant, haircutting, etc.)

5 Spiritual/Religious

N Performing Arts

O Graphic Arts/Fine Arts

P Artisan/Crafts

7 Writer/Poet/Playwright

Q Media (newspaper, tv, film, etc.)

V Political Worker (organizer/networker)

W Military

X Government Worker

M Other Professional \_\_\_\_\_

Z Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

U Student

8 Retired

## MAIL CODES

• **SELECTIONS:** You may choose as many interest areas as you like by entering the appropriate selection letter in the boxes by the subject headings. *Only one letter may be entered in each box!* If you are interested in receiving mailings in more than one category within a section, you must enter the letter designating "all of the above." In the future we hope to be able to expand our capability to allow for many detailed and specific selections. For now, however, related categories have to be grouped together.

☐ Who Are You?

A Woman (individual registrant)

B Women-only Organization

C Organization with mixed membership/staff (women and men)

D Man (individual registrant)

☐ Who can mail to you?

A Individual women and women's organizations (no men)

B Everyone

C Women's Organizations only (no individuals)

D Women's & mixed organizations (no individuals)

☐ Political Candidates

A Yes, I will allow access by political candidates

B No, do not permit political candidates to mail to me

☐ Women's Culture

A Music

B Film/Video

C Dance

D Theatre

E Painting/Drawing

F Crafts

G Prose/Writing

H Poetry

J Dance and theater

K Painting & Photography

L Spirituality

M Women's Presses

Z All of the above

☐ Sports

A Basketball

B Softball

C Tennis

D Football/Rugby/Soccer

E Swimming

F Gymnastics

G Volleyball

H Backpacking/Canoing

I Wilderness Trips

J Martial Arts

K Title IX

L Running

M Weightlifting

Z All of the above

☐ Legal/Political Issues

A Disabled People

B Anti-nuclear

N Disarmament/Peace

C Environmental Ecology

D Racism

E ERA

F Reproductive Rights

P Prostitution

H Consumer Rights

I Ageism

K Women Political

L Candidates

M Wages for Housework

Z All of the above

☐ Health

A Abortion/Birth Control/Sterilization

B Mental Health

C Drugs and Alcohol

D Women's Clinics/Self-Examination

E Alternative Health Services (Holistic, herbology, etc.)

Z All women's health issues

☐ Education

A Women's Studies

B Science and Technology

C Women's History/Literature

D Women's Psychology

E Women in Graduate Programs

F Secondary Education

G Primary Education

H Alternative Educational Programs

Z All of the above

☐ Violence Against Women

A Domestic Violence

B Pornography

C Rape

D Incest

E Sexual Harassment

Z All of the above

☐ Work

A Non-traditional Employment

B Women's Businesses

C Displaced Homemakers and Employment

D Childcare

F Women's training programs

G Women's professional groups/union committees/caucuses in your occupational area

Z All of the above

☐ Lesbian

A Yes, I am interested in this subject

☐ Women of Color

A Yes, I am interested in this subject

Where did you get this form?

Yes, I can help the network grow by distributing forms. Send \_\_\_\_\_ copies.

We are very interested in sending this brochure to the members of as many women's organizations as possible. If your organization would be willing to include this brochure in its own mailing in exchange for mailing labels from us, please contact us at the address on the back of this form.

# What kind of mail will you receive?

Depending upon what interest area you selected, you will be hearing from any or all of the following:

- Women's literary, art, scholarly, and political magazines and journals
- Women's publishing houses, announcing new feminist books
- Producers and distributors of women's music
- Political groups doing significant work on progressive feminist issues
- Announcements of spiritual retreats
- Non-traditional worker's organizations, networks and publications
- National women's studies programs
- Tours for women, including wilderness expeditions and tropical paradises
- AND MUCH, MUCH MORE...

**Look for the initials "NWML" on your mailing labels to know what is coming to you as a result of your participation in this network.**

**Registration Cost:** This is an unfunded grassroots project which depends upon donations from the women who participate in the network. A donation of \$3.50 will pay for the costs associated with processing your registration form. If you cannot afford to donate, please fill out and return the registration form anyway. It is crucial that all women participate in a network that serves women's needs.

The Moral Majority can mail to over 5 million of their supporters. Feminists, too, must have this capability. Donations of \$10-\$25 will help pay for the urgently needed publicity to enable the network to reach its target of 100,000 participants by the end of 1984, and to continue growing to 1 million.

Mail this completed form (with your donation) to:

**National Women's Mailing List  
1195 Valencia Street  
San Francisco, CA 94110  
(415) 824-6800**



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# ALBATROSS

THE Gulfcoasts First Feminist/Lesbian publication

Volume 1, Issue 1



*Janet*

THE ALBATROSS is dedicated to:

My beloved Sylvia Figeroa, my soul inspiration; and to Carol Beverage, and the Staff of Choices Newsletter.



Repression: The Cost?  
("Speak out and be heard")

The Albatross was inspired during my brief stay in Houston, Texas. At which time I was involved with another publication, their persistence and progress, although disorganized, impressed me. The feminist attitude of the staff (and volunteers), change my outlook on my inter-confusion. The unity among the lesbian population, gave me a good feeling.

Upon returning to rural Alabama, I found myself (alone, of course), unable to make social contact, with other lesbian women, due to the locale and size of our town. Also, being a mother, the time was not available to spend commuting to larger towns to socialize.

My friends were unable to except the open and honest person I had become, and tried to shove me back into the closet to, "protect me from myself." As talk of the Albatross spread, I started recieving a great deal of feed-back, some good, some bad...mostly bad. I was accused of being a radical feminist and exploiting gays, because I wanted to create a means of communication that would bring us together (a sisterhood). keep us in touch with one another and with what is going on around us.

Our first issue is for our sisters living in the country, so we can try and overcome the hardships of rural living. The need to hover in the shadow, is gone. Free to be and live as we choose. UNITE!

*Judy Harrison*

FACT:



Jeesica Ambets, 11 year old Chess player, Competes in more tournaments than any other woman in the country..



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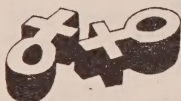
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Deadline for the next issue (August), is July 1st. all articles must be submitted on or by this date. Ad Rates are available upon request.

Personal ads will also be excepted at the rate of 20¢ a word.



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ILLUSIONS, will be a regular feature in The Albatross. We would like to hear from all aspiring artists out there! If you have any work you would like to submit, send it to the Albatross.

# ILLUSIONS

Sometimes I ask myself,  
Where and who I was,  
Before I sold my soul to Her for a few kind words.  
Before I was wrapped so tightly,  
In the chains of her love,  
That I could only breathe when she premitted me to.  
And what was it that made me ever vow,  
To be so convenient to Her every whim,  
So submissive to Her will.  
Yes, sometimes I ask myself why,  
And then remember it's because I love Her!

N. L. Harty

## LOVE IS:

- not hurting, it causes no pain.
- giving, not expecting a gain.
- not measured by wealth or by fame.
- forever; it doesn't end like a game.
- happiness, caring and smiles.
- special; it makes things worthwhile.
- not restricted by house or by car.
- limitless; it will reach as far as is far.

W. Ballard

## The Gift

If I could give a gift to you  
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Sue A. Martin

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these.



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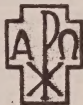
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### THURSDAY

7:00 PM Rap Session: The Gay Experience  
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### SUNDAY

5:00 PM AA for Gays

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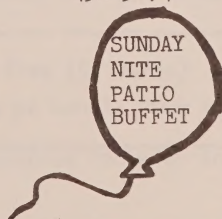
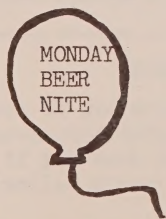
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# Lesbian mothers

Being a Lesbian and a mother can have its hardships, having the experience of coming out three years after the birth of my son, was very difficult for me. Knowing I could no longer deny my sexuality (and remain closeted, as I had for many years), I didn't know where to turn for the help or advice I so desperately needed.

In an effort to ease my mind (about being gay and a parent), I turned to friends with little success. It felt as though, I was the only Lesbian alive with a child. (I thought other gay women would reject me).

Several months later I made contact with a social group (Choices for Lesbian Mothers), which put me in touch other parents. I got a chance to meet and talk with other women and thier children, about problems they have overcome (and the ones they are facing).

The need for such a group here along the Gulfcoast, is vital. The Albatross, would like to sponsor a group, but we need volunteers to organize meeting and activities, if you are interested, please send your name and address to

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Reading Material I highly recommend for all parents:

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Parents Talk About Thier LIVES  
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"Whose Child Cries deals with profoundly Human issues  
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# Rural women

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Deadline for August issue is July 16th.

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"Rural Women"-Personal Classified Ad (mini. 10 words)

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(FREE- Your first five (5) words)

State if you would like for us to handle your replies  
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or if you want your name and address included in your  
ad(mailed direct) \_\_\_\_\_

"Navy Not for Gals"  
Who Says

For you women who happen to see the article "Navy's not For Gals" by Ed Anger In the News (May 22, Vol. 5, Issue 32). I have but one thing to say to Mr. Anger- Male chauvinist Pig! The article was about a women (Jacqueline Davis) who refused to jump off a 32 foot tower, because of a phobia. Mr. Anger implied because of her phobia the Navy's no place for women. As you can see just because of one women phobia does not justify that the Navy's not for women. I plan to send my comments to the News. The News can be picked up in any of your locale supermarket for anyone interested in reading the article. Any of you women who would like to join me in sending your comments then I say, LET GO FOR IT!!!

Sue A. Martin



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-Judy

Kachē

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To you I owe my Love.  
You have gave me inspiration.  
Opened my eyes.  
To what I always knew was  
there, but doubted.  
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Sue

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until women have  
the same rights men have  
on this green earth."

Susan B. Anthony

Since the day Susan B. Anthony won women the right to vote. We have been struggling for our rights as women.

"Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or any state on account of sex." These are the words of the Equal Rights Amendment, but upon entering the U. S. Navy I found that all jobs pertaining to being on board a sailing ship were restricted from women. Although congress has a bill to allow women on board a sailing vessel, it has not been passed. Sea pay is the highest pay in the U. S. Navy. I'm sure a lot of us have come acrossed stories, articles, and women who have been denied a job because of there sex.

We've came a long way, but theres still another mile to go. As the great women of our past started the ball rolling for us. We must now seize the opportunity, so as sisters we must unite, for our sisters-sisters. The future is only memiors of our past.

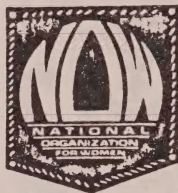
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If you would like to receive The Albatross on a monthly basis, membership is \$15.00 a year \_\_\_\_\_ \$7.50  $\frac{1}{2}$  yr. \_\_\_\_\_

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If you or a friend would like to add your name to our mailing list, you will receive two (2) free issues of The Albatross and notification of any upcoming events.

### ATTENTION!!!! BUSINESS OWNERS

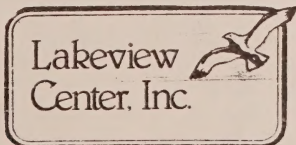
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### LAKEVIEW CENTER, INC. HELP LINE

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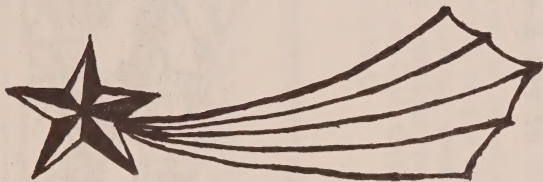


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# The Albatross

Volume 1 Issue 2

*The Gulfcoasts First Feminist/Lesbian Publication*



## FANTASY

The illusion of fantasy that turns  
to reality deep in the corner of your mind.  
The dreams of the day that helps you get thru when  
life has treated you unkind.

The magic of a rainbow, visible only  
for you, as if some kind of sign, these are  
the things a unicorn brings to those who will seek.

There are people who say unicorns  
are not real and for them this fact is true  
but for those who believe in FANTASY and dreams  
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FOR YOU.





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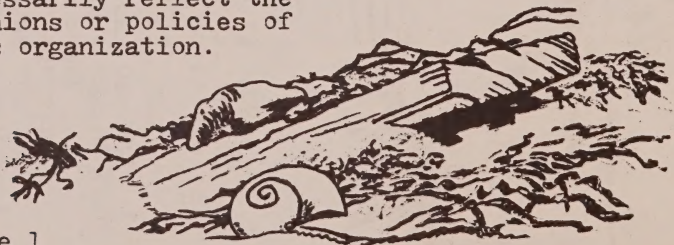
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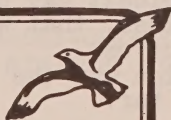


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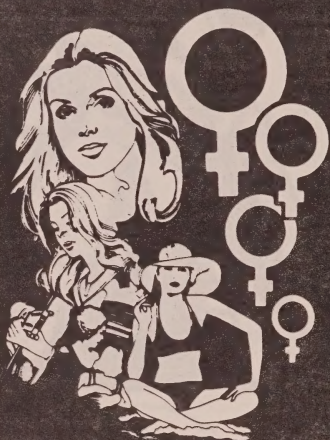
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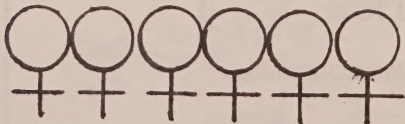
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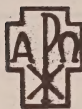
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### Where the money came from in 1983

|                             |               |       |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------|
| Individuals and families    | \$ 78,403,447 | 72.3% |
| Churches                    | 5,168,496     | 4.8   |
| Gifts-in-kind               | 16,457,832    | 15.2  |
| Corporations, foundations   | 4,029,674     | 3.7   |
| Planned giving programs     | 2,025,000     | 1.9   |
| Investment income and other | 2,267,650     | 2.1   |
|                             | <hr/>         |       |
|                             | \$108,352,099 | 100 % |

### How it was used

#### Program services

|                                                |               |       |
|------------------------------------------------|---------------|-------|
| Relief, development, evangelism and leadership | \$ 42,632,484 | 39.4% |
| Childcare                                      | 28,932,500    | 26.7  |
| Mission Challenge                              | 12,901,555    | 11.9  |
| U.S. domestic ministries                       | 229,972       | .2    |

#### Supporting services

|                                    |               |       |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-------|
| Management                         | 8,500,169     | 7.8   |
| Rundraising                        | 14,162,759    | 13.1  |
| Miscellaneous ministry commitments | 992,660       | .9    |
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It's King Mackerel time along the gulfcoast the mighty Kings run from 6 to 50-lbs. and can be found in waters upto 120 feet. July through september is prime fishing, and kings can be found near reefs, wrecks, anchored boats and oil rigs. Drift-fishing is the most popular method of fishing along the gulfcoast.

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The Kings are a great gamefish, good to eat, and easy to catch; fishing can be a great way to spend your vacation while getting that great tan!

J. Harrison





# Lesbian mothers

Lesbian motherhood, as a widespread phenomenon in American society, grows directly out of the feminist movement: with the development of our new women's culture, more and more married mothers have decided they want to devote all their energies, including their sexual energies, to women. They have then left their husbands in order to set up house hold with their lovers and their children. In addition, some women who already consider themselves lesbians have decided that they would like to have a child, and have deliberately gotten pregnant.

In general, lesbian mothers face the same problems as other single mothers: lack of money, lack of societal support, and lack of time. There is, however, one unique problem with which these mothers must deal: the constant threat (and all too often the reality) of court cases based on the mother's lesbianism.

Sometimes the mother does win the court case: psychiatrists and other "expert" witnesses can testify on her "fitness" for motherhood. These victories are a good gauge of the changing public attitudes toward lesbianism, but, of course, one must have money (and lots of it) to hire a decent lawyer. Legal fees start with a retainer of \$500 and then run \$40 an hour; expert witnesses go for \$500 a shot and are hard to find; in many cases the total costs run over \$10,000.

The following groups exist to help lesbian mothers. They also deserve the support of other feminists.

## WOMEN'S DEFENSE COMMITTEE

373 North Western, No. 202  
Los Angeles, California 90004

Works with lesbian mothers and on other feminist/lesbian legal issues.

## LESBIAN MOTHER'S NATIONAL DEFENSE FUND

2446 Lorentz Place North  
Seattle, Washington 98109  
(206) 324-3571

\$5.00/year, membership plus subscription to *Mom's Apple Pie* newsletter

The Lesbian Mother's National Defense Fund was set up with the following goals:

- To make possible the printing and distribution of guidelines, previous court cases, attorneys' briefs, transcripts of trials, etc., for distribution to lesbian mothers facing court cases;
- To give financial help with court costs, child care costs, attorneys' fees, etc.;
- To provide a competent and sympathetic attorney for women living in areas of the country where one is not already available;
- To make available a nationwide list of lawyers, law students, and para-legals who are interested in lesbian mother cases;
- To establish a nationwide system of communication between lesbian mothers.

To achieve this last goal, the Fund publishes *Mom's Apple Pie*, the national newsletter of lesbian motherhood. It contains important information on the latest court cases as well as poems and personal stories intended to break down the alienation so many lesbian mothers feel both from society in general and from the women's movement.

Those who do not have \$5.00 can join the Fund anyway; any contribution will be greatly appreciated.

## LESBIAN MOTHER CUSTODY CASES:

Who to Call for What

by Mary Howell

2101 Smith Tower  
Seattle, Washington 98104

Annotated bibliography and resource list of court cases, expert witnesses, books, and articles. Write for price information.



Looking for answers? Write Robyn...

Dear Robyn,

Having come out in the past year, I've got a problem I find hard to deal with...friends.

I was in the market today, when an old friend sort of past me by. I was hurt and didn't know how to react. Maybe, they think lesbianism is contagious, I don't know.

Living in a small town, it's hard to understand how people think..but, I feel ignorance is no reason to abandon a friend.

Signed,  
in the sticks

Dear Sticks,

I sympathize with your situation, I live in a small town myself and I must say, people are not always what they appear to be. You have the right to be your own person, if someone you have known doesn't like it, it's their problem not yours.

A friend is someone who is personally well known by ones self and for whom one has warm regard or affection.

My opinion, your better off without them, and their doing you a favor by staying clear.

Robyn





...At The Top?

When business is going well, and life seems to be offering it's best, my friends feel I should be re-joining...

The stress of every day life, a full time job and a business, sitters, lawyers and bills that are past due.

Long work days my money invested I must sit and contemplate my next move. My average day is spent alone, and I relish the thought of sleep.

Persons who view my situation from afar see only the glit-ter associated with my position and the people affiliated with me.

For the life of me I'll never understand why they think I've got it made...(got what made?)..

If this is what it's like at the top I'm not sure I want to be here...

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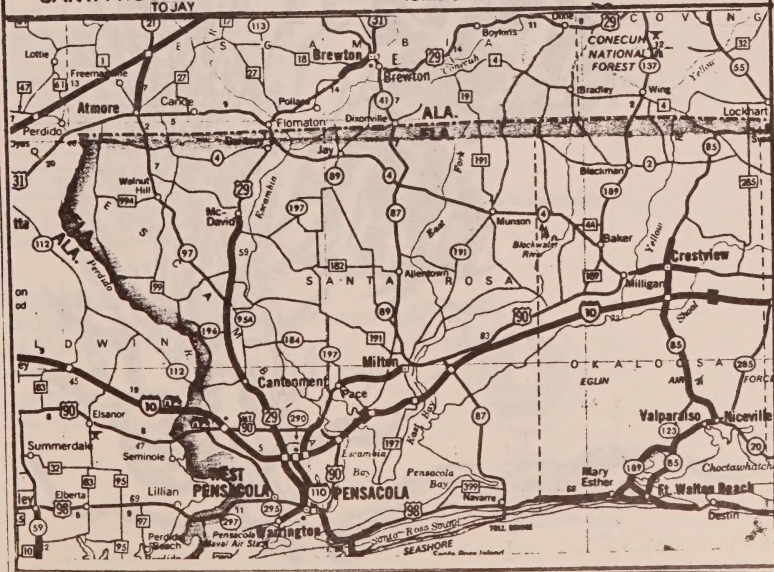
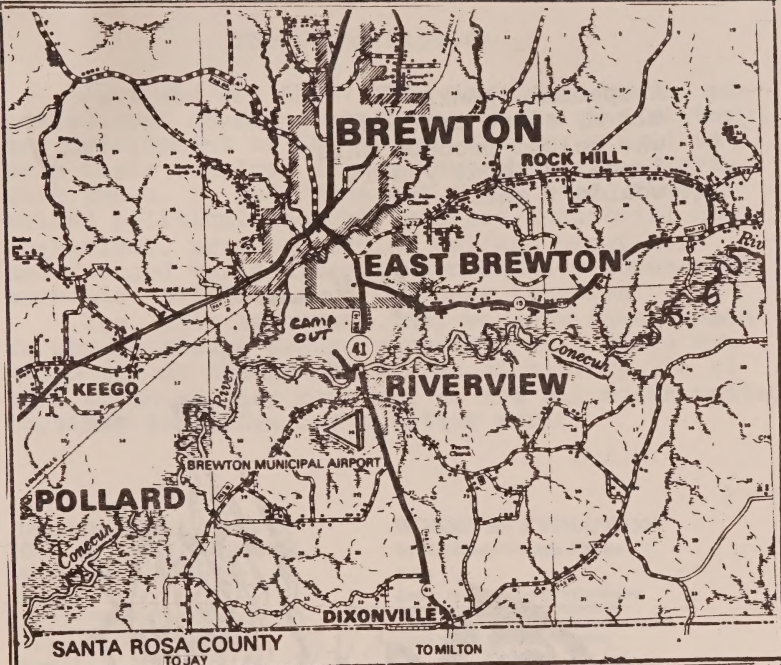
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Directions to our camp-out can be found on the opposite page.

For further information contact:

Judy Harrison at (205)867-2422  
or (205)867-9239





A special thanks to  
all my close friends  
who helped produce this  
issue, without you it  
wouldn't exist

*J. Hamison*



## The Soong Sisters

Just who are they? They are three brave, educated, and charming women who shaped the history and development of China. The sisters united to help their country. It was through their efforts that the U. S. and China got their bond. "They molded political thought, started Industrial co-operatives, promoted social welfare programs, and focused world attention on China's monumental economic, political and military troubles"

Yes, It's important that we know these women. We should always assure ourselves that there are women who do change the course of history. Be it here or in another country; we are all women united together to strive for a better world.

S.A.M.

### THE POLITICAL PERSPECTIVE OF THE LAVENDER AND RED UNION

From:

Lavender and Red Union  
6844 Sunset Boulevard  
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Marxism breeds strange bedfellows. This newly-formed group co-exists with comrades such as the Revolutionary Union which publishes position papers condemning homosexuality as "an ideology of the petty bourgeoisie," and flatly states that "homosexuals cannot be Communists, since gay liberation is a reactionary ideology and can lead us only down the road of demoralization and defeat." *The Political Perspective of the Lavender and Red Union* explains how this group feels about being homosexual and communist.

### WOMEN IN EVOLUTION

by Kathleen Gough Aberle

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Looks at the forms of oppression women suffer and extrapolates general directions the women's movement might take in response.

### PROBLEMS OF WOMEN'S LIBERATION: A Marxist Approach

by Evelyn Reed

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### THE EMANCIPATION OF WOMEN: From the Writings of V.I. Lenin

From:

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## The Maze

I'm always wandering  
through the maze of life.  
Trying to figure out  
which way is wrong,  
and which way is right.  
Stumbling in the dark,  
where there is no light.  
Trying to find comfort,  
in the dead of the night.  
Alone and scared in this land  
but, I know the end is at hand.



## SHOW ME THE WAY

How can I give my love  
when my heart is only beginning to heal.  
I fear for my love, that someone may steal.

Teach me the way to love again someday,  
Show me the warmth of a touch.  
Hold me in your clutch.

How can I love again some day.  
Show me the way.





## TWO WOMYN

Two womyn

Laying on sheets of satin

Two hearts

Beating in rythmn

Two breast

That brush with the slightest touch

Two womyn

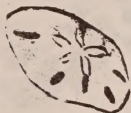
Who's bodies are hot to the touch

Two hand

That search out the truth

Two smiles

That greet the sun.



Sue A. Martin

of the earth

I am of the earth,  
for which I am proud.  
There are hints of blue,  
and green in my eyes...  
Blue of the skies,  
and green of the earth.  
my heart has been as cold,  
and hard as a stone,  
and as warm as a sunset.  
The tide keeps rolling.  
Just as I keep growing.  
I am of the earth.

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who trusts me completely.

Someone that will except me without  
change, and willnot change themselves  
for me.

Someone that will grow with me, but  
will also grow on their own, and let  
me do the same.

Someone who will except who I am  
and what I do, that I will also who  
they are and what they do.

Someone that takes life as a chal-  
lange and will fight back against any  
obstacles, and grow stronger because  
of it, and share their strenght with  
me, and let me share my strenght with  
them, to me thats love!

I dream someday I find it.

J. Keeler

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Judy Harrison

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